

# Dover Energy Commission

## Response to NH Draft Energy Strategy

Dover City Council  
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# State Draft Energy Plan

- SB 191-FN-A of 2013 established a energy council to develop a 10 year energy strategy
- Navigant Consulting hired as consultants
- OEP presentation June 24<sup>th</sup>, DES at Pease
- Dover Energy Commission reviewed and submitted comments to OEP July 16<sup>th</sup>.

# State Guidance

SB 191-FN-A : did not set a specific goal but seeks vision and strategy to include:

- Future consumption
- Existing and proposed energy generation and transmission facilities.
- Renewable energy and fuel diversity
- Small-scale and distributed energy resources, energy storage technologies
- Energy efficiency, demand response, and other demand-side resources
- Siting process for energy facilities
- Relationship between land use and transportation policies/programs
- State's role in the regional electric markets

## State Climate Action Plan 2009

- Goal achieving feasible reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and long-term economic benefits.
- Plan centers on 10 overarching strategies:
  - Maximize energy efficiency
  - Increase renewables and low CO<sub>2</sub>-emitting sources
  - Support regional & national actions to reduce greenhouse gases
  - Reduce vehicle emissions
  - Encourage appropriate land use patterns that reduce vehicle miles
  - Reduce vehicle miles via an integrated multi-modal transportation system
  - Protect natural resources (CO<sub>2</sub> fixation)
  - Lead by example
  - Plan for addressing climate change impacts
  - Develop an integrated education, outreach and workforce training programs

# Dover Guidance

## Dover Energy Action Plan 2008:

- Ad-Hoc Energy Advisory Committee
- Goal: to establish actions by the City and its residents can take to reduce their energy consumption, saving taxpayer's money and reducing harmful pollutants.
- Established City's baseline energy use/costs and greenhouse gas emissions (2008 report)
- Dover signed on to the U.S. Mayor's Climate Agreement that follows Kyoto Protocol target (2007).
- Dover joined the EPA's Energy Star Challenge to improve energy efficiency by 10% or more in our buildings.

## Dover Energy Commission's Feedback to OEP:

- Current plan lacks reference to connection to climate change/greenhouse gas emissions
- Draft Strategy needs to be consistent with the goals of the NH Climate Action Plan and its 10 strategies encompassing 67 actions.
- Needs to be more substantive on:
  - The growth of a clean energy economy,
  - Decreasing environmental impacts
  - Encouraging Green Communities
  - Promoting commitment to total energy reduction
- Strategy needs to be a unifying document for interagency collaboration of state agencies.